

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A private network exchange with multiple service providers, having a portal, collaborative applications, and a directory service is provided. The private network exchange can operate across multiple service providers, and provides a minimum service level regardless of the service providers involved. The Portal provides a user friendly interface to present the collaborative applications and directory service. The collaborative applications allow users to work together in a secure manner. The directory service presents users with a way to search the network.

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